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ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT

WHEREAS I, Robert Tam, residing at 63 Wellington St., Irvine CA 92618, have made an invention entitled.

**G-RICH OLIGO APTAMERS AND METHODS OF
MODULATING AN IMMUNE RESPONSE**

and have filed for said invention the following application for a United States Patent,

Application No.: 09/331,204

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and

WHEREAS, Ribapharm, Inc., hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE, a corporation having an office and place of business at 3300 Hyland Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA 92626 is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in said invention, said United States patent application and in any Letters Patent which may issue thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto ASSIGNEE, its successors, and assigns, all right, title and interest in and to said invention and any improvements thereon for all countries of the world, and in and to said United States patent application, including any continuations and divisions thereof, and including the right to claim priority based on said patent application, and any patent which may issue thereon, and any reissues of the same; and all right, title and interest in and to every patent application filed or to be filed on said invention in any other country, including renewals, revivals, continuations and divisions thereof, and any and all patents which may issue thereon, and any reissues and extensions of the same; and I hereby authorize and request competent authorities to grant and issue any and all patents on said invention to ASSIGNEE; and I further agree to execute upon request of ASSIGNEE such additional documents as are necessary and proper to secure patent protection on said invention throughout all countries of the world and to otherwise give full effect to and perfect the rights of ASSIGNEE under this Assignment.

Executed this 16th day of August, 2004.

by: _____

Robert Tam

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